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**Chairman Shays to Hold July 25 Hearing on DoD Excess Property**

(Washington, DC) -- Congressman Christopher Shays (R-CT), Chairman of the Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations will convene an oversight hearing to examine waste and inefficiency in the Department of Defense (DOD) program for the reutilization of excess military property.

This is the third in a series of hearings the Subcommittee has held dealing with the disposal of excess military property. Shays said, "During previous hearings we learned DOD was a bargain basement for would-be terrorists due to lax security screening of excess military equipment. Based on GAO's most recent undercover investigation it looks like the store is still open."

Witnesses from the Government Accountability Office (GAO), as well as the Department of Defense will address the issue of what effective controls are in place to prevent sensitive military equipment that requires demilitarization (destruction) from falling into the wrong hands. Additionally, witnesses will discuss the effectiveness of DOD system and process improvements to prevent the sale of new or unused items that DOD continues to buy or that are in demand by the military service.

The hearing, *DOD Excess Property: Inventory Control Breakdowns Present a Security Risk* is scheduled for Tuesday, July 25 at 2:00 pm in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building in Washington, DC.

## **Witness List**

### **Panel I**

#### **Mr. Gregory Kutz**

Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations  
U.S. Government Accountability Office

Accompanied by:

#### **Ms. Gayle Fischer**

Assistant Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations  
U.S. Government Accountability Office

#### **Mr. John J. Ryan**

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Forensic Audits and Special Investigations  
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#### **Mr. Richard C. Newbolt**

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### **Panel II**

#### **Mr. Alan F. Estevez**

Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Supply Chain Integration)  
Department of Defense

#### **MG Bennie E. Williams**

Director for Logistics Operations  
Defense Logistic Agency

#### **Mr. Paul Peters**

Director, Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service  
Department of Defense